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ATC Announces Annual Permit Auction

INDIANAPOLIS (Sept. 7) – The Indiana Alcohol and Tobacco Commission today announced its annual alcoholic-beverage permit auction will be held Oct. 30.

The permit auction, which is required by Indiana law, will be held at the Indiana Government Center South, 302 W. Washington Street, Indianapolis, at 11:00 a.m. Bidder check-in begins at 10:00 a.m.

This year, the ATC will auction off 60 permits for various communities around the state.

Prospective bidders must complete a pre-qualification packet and post \$500 to \$1,000 pre-bid security, depending on the type of permit sought.

A successful bid at the auction merely allows the bidder to apply for the appropriate permit. Successful bidders must still go through the normal application process. This process includes a hearing before a local alcoholic-beverage board in the county in which the permit would be located. At this public hearing, members of the local community may testify for or against the permit's issuance.

After the local board makes a recommendation to approve or disapprove the permit's issuance, the ATC then reviews the application and the local board's recommendation and decides whether the applicant should be issued the permit.

A complete list of available permits is attached. Pre-bid qualification packets must be received by the ATC on or before close of business on Oct. 19.

For more information, visit the ATC's website: www.in.gov/atc.